

VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) to (d) As per available information based on P.E. Survey 1998-99, there are 5 central PSUs having their registered office in the State of Orissa viz., (1) Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd., (2) National Aluminium Company Ltd., (3) Orissa Drugs and Chemicals Ltd., (4) Paradeep Phosphates Ltd., (5) Utkal Ashok Hotel Corpn. Ltd. During 1998-99 the first two CPSUs have earned profits and the remaining three have incurred losses. Of the above 5 CPSUs, only Orissa Drugs and Chemicals Ltd. (ODCL), is a sick industrial PSU, registered with the BIFR. A revival scheme for ODCL was initially sanctioned by the BIFR in 1994 which had failed. Subsequently, another scheme has been sanctioned by the BIFR on 17.1.2000.

Losses in Maruti Udyog Limited

† 1596. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Maruti Udyog Limited is incurring heavy losses;
- (b) if so, the total losses incurred by MUL during the last three years, alongwith the annual break-up thereof; and
- (c) the number of total vehicles sold by MUL during the said period and the expenditure incurred by the company annually?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The details of total vehicles sold and the expenditure incurred by MUL during the last three years are as under:—

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

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RAJYA SABHA

Rs. in Crore

Year	No. of Sold	vehicles	Cost of Production & Sales
1997-98 1998-99 1999- 2000	353470 333881 406574		7304.34 7196.94 9008.00 (Prov)

Discharging the Scooters India Ltd. from the Purview of BIFR

1597. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether after eight years, the Scooters India Ltd has been discharged from the purview of BIFR;

(b) whether there is a ban imposed on its production by the Allahabad High Court due to pollution problems; and

(c) if so, the action proposed to approach the court to allow the company to employ workers to produce new models successfully developed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABH-BHAI KATHIRIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.